

INTRODUCED: 05/17/2010

REFERRED TO: Committee of the Whole

SPONSOR: Councillors Pfisterer, Lutz, McHenry, Cockrum and Lewis

DIGEST: recognizes the Ben Davis Lady Giants Basketball Team and Coach Stan Benge

SOURCE:

Initiated by: Councillor Pfisterer

Drafted by: NaTrina DeBow, Assistant Clerk of the Council

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADOPTION:

Subject to approval or veto by Mayor

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE:

Adoption and approvals

GENERAL COUNSEL APPROVAL: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: May 12, 2010

CITY-COUNTY SPECIAL RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_, 2010

A SPECIAL RESOLUTION recognizing the Ben Davis Lady Giants Basketball Team and coach, Stan Benge.

WHEREAS, the Ben Davis Lady Giants won back-to-back Class 4A State Championships in 2009 and 2010; and

WHEREAS, the team has the longest winning streak, with 58 games, in Indiana girls basketball history and is the first team, boys or girls, to go undefeated in back-to-back seasons; and

WHEREAS, this year's championship game broke the record for the most points scored and the largest margin of victory in a championship game; and

WHEREAS, the four seniors on the team this year are heading for college basketball careers at NCAA Division 1 schools, including IUPUI, Purdue University, Ball State University and Eastern Illinois University; and

WHEREAS, the team's Head Coach, Stan Benge has been head coach of the Ben Davis Lady Giants for 25 years, with a win record of 79 percent, and was named Metro Coach of the Year in 1992, 2000, 2009 and 2010; and

WHEREAS, as head coach, Coach Benge has won three State Championships, four Semi-State Championships, ten Regional Championships, nine MIC Championships, eight County Championships, and one National Championship; and

WHEREAS, with all the team's athletic accomplishments, their most honorable accomplishment is in academics. The varsity team roster includes 14 student-athletes and two senior managers with a combined GPA of 3.7, with six of them holding a GPA of 4.0 or higher; now, therefore:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY-COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS AND OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA:

SECTION 1. The Indianapolis City-County Council proudly recognizes head coach Stan Benge; assistant coaches: Demetrius Dowler, Joe Lentz, Jackie Closser, James Banks, and Freshman coach, Brian Elmore; team members: Dee Dee Williams, Jordan Huber, Jazmine Windham, Janee' Kimball, Bri Goss, Demetria Nunley-Lash, Brionna Arnold, Shawnece Teague, Jade Mills-Harris, Vivian Holcomb, Hunter Dowler, Amber Jones, Ashlie Nicholson and Erin Taylor; and senior managers Kya Harris and Taylor Morrison .

SECTION 2. The Council congratulates the Ben Davis Lady Giants Basketball team on an outstanding athletic and academic career.

SECTION 3. The Mayor is invited to join in this resolution by affixing his signature hereto.

SECTION 4. This resolution shall be in full force and effect upon adoption and compliance with IC 36-3-4-14.

The foregoing was passed by the City-County Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

ATTEST:

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Ryan Vaughn  
President, City-County Council

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Melissa Thompson  
Clerk, City-County Council

Presented by me to the Mayor this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, at 10:00 a.m.

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Melissa Thompson  
Clerk, City-County Council

Approved and signed by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

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Gregory A. Ballard, Mayor